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### MEMORANDUM NO. 2009- 004

**TO:** District Superintendents of Schools

**FROM:** Jim McBride, State Superintendent of Schools

**DATE:** January 9, 2009

**SUBJECT:** Survey of Instructional Practices

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#### TIME SENSITIVE MATERIAL – NOTE DEADLINE

The State of Wyoming is fortunate to have school districts that excel in serving students' academic and behavioral needs. As part of the WDE's continuing effort to build statewide knowledge and improve implementation of these practices, the Department is conducting a survey to gather specific information about current instructional and behavioral practices at the elementary school level. To accomplish this task, we are requesting that you share your experiences with us by completing a brief online **"Survey of Instructional Practices."**

Once the results have been aggregated, they will be widely disseminated among educators and legislators and featured on the WDE website. Our goal is to inform education stakeholders about best practices that are currently in place to improve educational outcomes for ALL students. In addition, it will serve to inform WDE's technical assistance and professional development initiatives.

Please complete the survey during a two-week window that begins on January 12, 2009. The survey will close at 5:00 p.m. on January 23. Below are a few more details about this project:

- **WHO** should take the survey? **School Principals** and/or designee(s) with the knowledge and experience to accurately respond to the survey items
- **WHEN?** January 12-23, 2009
- **HOW?** A letter will be mailed individually to school principals with a username and password to access the survey for their school. The URL for the survey is <http://www.rmccorp.com/NWRCC>.

Thank you in advance for your participation and willingness to share what's working in your schools! If you have any questions about the survey, please contact Edie Ring, WDE Program Consultant at [ering@educ.state.wy.us](mailto:ering@educ.state.wy.us) or (307) 777-8979. We look forward to hearing from you.

*The survey was created by WDE in cooperation with NWRRC*